

Sangamon Valley LEPC

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AGENDA

November 20, 2014

8:30 AM

Office of the State Fire Marshal
1035 Stevenson Drive
Springfield, IL 62703

Meeting Called to Order by David Butt, Chairman

Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting (09/18/2014)

Self-introductions

Recognition of LEPC Members

Welcome to Visitors

Old Business

Clean-up of Waste Oil Release at Jerome on September 8

Bakken Crude Oil Transport

Commodity Flow Studies

Funding Alternatives for LEPCs

Hazardous Material Emergency Planning Grant (FFY2013 and FFY2014)

Report on Emergency Planning Project (FFY2013 and FFY2014)

New Business

Contract to Digitize Printed Planning Documents

MSDSonline

Growmark Tabletop Exercise

Winter Weather Preparedness Week in Illinois

2015 Update of Sangamon County Emergency Operations Plan

Business Old or New

Other Business Old or New

Public Comment

Next regular meeting: January 15, 2015, at the Office of the State Fire Marshal

Motion to adjourn

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MINUTES OF THE SANGAMON VALLEY LEPC MEETING – November 20, 2014

Call to Order - The Chair, David Butt, called the meeting to order at 8:30 am, at the State Fire Marshal's Office Auditorium, 1035 Aldai Stevenson Drive, Springfield IL 62703.

There was a quorum with 18 members present: David Butt, Sangamon County OEM; Joe Crowe, Athens Fire Dept.; Roger Cruse, Ameren Illinois; Jamie Davis, American Red Cross (ARC); Larry Graf, Menard County EMS; Stephanie Howard, Memorial Medical Center; George Krebs, Illinois EPA; Tim Krell, Sangamon County Board; Jason LeMar, Menard County GIS; Ralph Long, Illinois Air National Guard (IANG); Mike Lopez, Sangamon County 9-1-1 Center; Pat Metz, City Water, Light and Power (CWLP); Mike Moos, Village of Sherman EMA; Dick Rentschler, MABAS Division 48; Chris Richmond, Springfield Fire Dept. (SFD); Katrina Schroeder, United Way of Central Illinois; Laura Valente, IANG; and Diana Wade, Sangamon County Department of Public Health.

Approval of the Minutes - Minutes from the LEPC meeting of September 18, 2014, were distributed via e-mail prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Pat Metz, seconded by Chris Richmond and approved unanimously to accept these minutes.

Introductions - Self-introductions were made by the members in attendance. Five visitors were present: Greg Michaud, Johnson, Depp & Quissenberry; Jim Johnson, SFD; Ed Autery, IANG; Kevin Sledge, Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) and Bob Flemming, IEMA. All were welcomed.

Old Business

Clean-up of Waste Oil Release at Jerome on Sept. 8 – George Krebs addressed the ongoing clean-up of this hazardous material release. The off-site consequences have been cleaned up. Contaminated soil from Washington Park needed to be hauled away. Maps and aerial photography showed where this area is located. Clean-up at the site of the fire needs to continue. The owner of the facility has expressed an interest in rebuilding at the site. The Chair related how the uncertainty of off-site consequences that are illustrated by this example helps to explain why some of our rural Tier 2 facilities have a Let It Burn policy with their volunteer fire departments.

Commodity Flow Studies and Bakken Crude Oil Transport – Kevin Sledge continues to keep all LEPCs in Illinois apprised of their risk from Bakken Crude Oil. Our planning district has less than 10 miles of BNSF trackage in the southwest corner of Sangamon County, going thru unincorporated Lowder, for Bakken Crude Oil exposure. We have information from the railroads traveling thru Springfield about the many other chemicals being transported. A more specific commodity flow examination may be possible after winter. The Chair will converse with Greg Michaud about activities that we might initiate and bring this matter back to the LEPC in January.

Funding Alternatives for LEPCs – There was a bill at the statehouse, last session, for assessing a Tier 2 filing fee to fund LEPCs. It could not be moved out of committee. The fall veto session is occurring now and there appears to be no interest in moving this bill. This matter will wait until the spring session.

Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) Grant – Kevin told the committee that grant applications for this new spending year will be reviewed after Thanksgiving. This LEPC met the expectations of IEMA during last year, which should help for the new year. Fewer LEPCs are applying for this grant than last year.

Report on the Emergency Planning Project – Our LEPC has written over 90 emergency plans and distributed them as paper copies. There have been requests over the years for electronic copies. Chris Richmond has investigated digitizing these plans into an Adobe-format that can be modified. The Chair has gathered information from Chris to be able to propose to the committee that we enter into a contract with SFD to utilize its manpower to perform this task for the LEPC, using software that SFD has available to it. An average time for one plan is about 90 minutes, with an approximate worker's cost of \$55 per hour.

New Business

Contract to Digitize Printed Planning Documents – The committee asked questions and engaged in conversation about the proposal put forward by the Chair to digitize printed planning documents. Payment of \$80 per plan on a per-piece-basis is countable for audit purposes. Only 2 of our plans have multiple books (2 books for Rosens, Inc. and 4 books for CWLP). A motion was made by Katrina Schroeder, seconded by George Krebs and approved unanimously to enter into a contract with Springfield Fire Department to digitize printed site plans to a maximum of \$8,000, at the rate of \$80 per plan, except the 2-book plan will pay \$120 and the 4-book plan will pay \$240.

MSDSonline – As the meeting was running long, this topic was skipped and will be New Business at our next meeting.

Growmark Tabletop Exercise (TTX) – Beginning at noon on Thursday, November 13, 2014, four members of the LEPC participated in a 2-hour tabletop exercise at Athens that was hosted by Growmark, Inc. for a fuel spill of 1,000 gallons of gasoline during truck loading at its Menard Terminal, in the Greenview Fire Protection District. The Chair, Joe Crowe, Jason LeMar and Diana Wade represented the LEPC. Greenview and Petersburg Rural Fire Protection Districts were represented. Menard Terminal was represented and Growmark also had 7 corporate representatives. Limited foam is available to keep fumes down and the Chair reminded Growmark of a recommendation made at the December 17, 2012 TTX for it to provide a 55-gallon drum of foam to be stored at Menard Terminal. Growmark had only obtained prices for this resource, but has not purchased it yet. In 3 to 5 years, Growmark intends to expand Menard Terminal with additional tanks. These will need to be leak-tested with water fills. If either drilling a well or requesting Menard Rural Water Co-op to extend pipe to Menard Terminal will cost less than trucking in water for the leak test, we may have a solution to our long standing concern over lack of water at this site.

Winter Weather Preparedness Week – It is always observed this week; the full week before Thanksgiving. This year Winter Weather Preparedness Week began with winter-like temperatures. With upcoming holiday travel, the Chair encouraged all members, as “emergency planners”, to be prepared for the upcoming season. There is valuable information on winter weather at <http://www.redcross.org/news/article/Red-Cross-Winter-Weather-Safety-Tips>. The Chair praised our LEPC partnership with ARC and another partner, National Weather Service, represented by Billy Ousley in our membership.

2015 Update of Sangamon County EOP – The LEPC is a key partner with Sangamon County OEM for the biennial plan update, which will be due next April. The LEPC comprehensive plan that we revise in March will become part of the plan update. Also, Stephanie Howard, Diana Wade and Jamie Davis have been contacted about revisions on the portions of the plan for which their organizations have responsibility.

Other Business

Public Comment – None was given.

Meeting Closure – The next LEPC meeting is scheduled for 8:30 am, January 15, 2015, at the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM). Other meetings are 3/19/15, also at OSFM and 5/21/15, at the Athens City Hall. There being no further business, a motion was made by Chris Richmond, seconded by Mike Lopez and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 am.